

INDIANA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (IERC) MEETING
Indiana Government Center South
302 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana
January 15, 2013 1:00 P.M.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Chairman Mike Garvey of the IERC welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL TO ORDER

Mike Garvey – IDHS	Bruce Palin – IDEM
Brian Lott – Local Government	Chad Hilton - ISP
James Pridgen – Industry Representative	Gerri Husband –State Fire Marshall
Shawn French – Industry Representative	

The following Commission members were absent:

Carol Shelby – Public Representative	J. Eddie Goff – Public Representative
Dean Larson – Public Representative	Sherman Greer – Local Government

The following staff members were present:

John Steel – IDHS	Mara Snyder - IDHS
Laura Steadham – IDEM	Ian Ewusi – IDHS/IDEM

The following members of the audience were present:

Jeff Larmore – Marion County	Jim Plum – Jefferson County
John Hill – IDHS	John Copeland - IDHS
Tim Thomas -IDHS	

QUORUM

LEPC Coordinator indicated a quorum was present

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve and adopt the minutes from the September 14, 2012, meeting was made by Mr. Pridgen and seconded by Mr. Palin. **MOTION CARRIED**

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Garvey opened the meeting with the announcement of John Hill's appointment as the new executive director for IDHS, and he will be joining the meeting later.

He passed the report to Mara Snyder to provide a report on SB 242, and where it would include ethics training for LEPCs and LEPCs will have to show proof of ethics training must be provided in order to receive funding. This bill is being proposed in the current legislative session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Communications Committee—Sherman Greer, Chair

No Report

Policy/Technical Committee—James Pridgen/Dean Larson, Co-Chairs

Shawn French advised on the status of the possible reorganization of the LEPCs. They have been receiving feedback from the LEPCs and will be meeting to draft a strategy as well as communications with the LEPCs on the process of this discussion.

Mr. Pridgen recommended possibly holding a retreat in April 2013 in Indy, Columbus or Brown County and he will send out potential dates to the commission members.

Training Committee—Brian Lott, Chair

No Report

Fiscal Committee—Bruce Palin, Chair

Mr. Palin reported that he is waiting for the current status of the IERC budget that will include 2013 conference.

Mr. Palin made a motion to accept committee reports, second by Mr. Lott. **MOTION CARRIED**

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Ewusi reported on a funding request for Wells County. In 2012 they did not receive their funding for 2011 activities, though they did complete, they did not submit an exercise credit report. This oversight was due to a change of administration in Wells County. The amount due is \$4,472.85. It was decided to approve on the verification that the exercise was completed.

Also in old business, Laura Steadham asked for verification on the new MOU being signed off, Ms. Snyder advised that the MOU has been signed and is at State Budget Agency for their review and signatures.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim Thomas, IDHS CBRNE Coordinator conducted a presentation on the following;

- **Hazardous Materials Team Qualification Program**
 - Haz-mat teams participated in a voluntary survey, that helped determine standardized haz-mat response, develop MOU's and could be integrated into Mobile Support Units
- **Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive Capabilities**
 - Provide support for site assessments; developing site safety plan, developing Incident action plan, support to incident command, site monitoring, force protection, SWAT support, explosive magazine inspections and training.
 - Chemical and biological inspection; O2, CO%, LEL metering, SensIR, Guardian, water quality test, radiological, biological, chemical warfare agents.

Ian Ewusi provided a demonstration of the new LEPC Online Reporting, and how the LEPCs will submit their information and how IERC staff can review and approve these submissions.

REPORT OF THE FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Ewusi reported on the following topics;

1. Delaware County funding transfer error

- Delaware County did not receive funds for 2011 activities, upon investigating it was determined that there was an error in the electronic transfer and a new voucher is being processed.

2. LEPC Online Reporting

- LEPCs notified on the new reporting system and will start to submit their reports in 2013. 10 LEPCs participated in the testing of the new system.

3. Facility and CAMEO Training

- EPCRA Training completed Marshall County and Indiana Government Center, scheduled for Bartholomew and Marion Counties.
- CAMEO, Illinois completed last September. Classes scheduled for Gibson, White, Henry and Illinois SERC

4. Plan Evaluations

- Completed evaluations for 72 counties and provided any recommendations for changes

5. EPCRA Statutory Updates

- State EPCRA clarification to IDEM and Indiana Department of Revenue on facilities instructions for online reporting system. Provided a summary of fee categories for EPCRA facilities.

6. Federal Statutes

- Spill Prevention, Control and countermeasure
- Hazardous Chemical Storage Inventory (Tier II) Information
- Trade Secret
- TRI Chemicals

7. Spill Reports

- Completed and released a list of 2011/2012 accidental chemical releases in Indiana as requested by EPA, and will be conducting several enforcement activities in Region V

8. EPA Projects

- EPA is planning to hold the annual Region V SERC meeting in April 2013.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER APPROVALS

Mr. Ewusi reported that the following 14 counties had submitted new or updated rosters for approval:

Allen	Brown	DeKalb	Delaware	Dubois	Gibson	Grant
Hamilton	La Porte	Ohio	Randolph	Ripley	Wells	White

Chief Lott made a motion to approve the rosters and was seconded by Mr. Hilton. **MOTION CARRIED.**

LEPC COMMENTS

Jim Plum, Jefferson County LEPC inquired with the IERC when the training props that were recently acquired by IDHS to when they will be made available. In response, the props will be made available after they are inventoried and training is completed.

Mr. Plum also inquired to the status of the release of the HMEP Training Grant. Budgets were approved and agreements will be going out in the near future.

EPA COMMENTS

No Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Report

NEXT MEETING

March 11, 2013, 1:00pm
Indiana Government Center South
Conference Room C

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Michael Garvey, Chair